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"Tomorrow, I'll put a curse on my father..."
Right after reuniting with his father, from whom he'd been separated when he was a kid, Ryou suddenly traveled back in time 22 years, during the peak of the bubble economy of the Showa era!
There, he met his father, Konomi, who was 3 years younger than he was...!
Living in an unknown environment with the uneasiness of wanting to go back to his own time, Ryou was anxious. But being comforted by the pure-hearted Konomi, his feelings gradually started to change...
The first volume of Ike Reibun's loved original work!

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This is the first time I'm working on something lasting more than one volume.

I feel both happy and nervous at the same time.

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TOMORROW, I'LL PUT A CURSE ON MY FATHER—

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TAP
TAP
SHIT WHAT THE HELL'S GOING ON WITH THE GPS?
IT'S SO CONFUSING I CAN'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING AT ALL.
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS PLACE? IT'S FULL OF HILLS AND STAIRS.
AND IT'S SUPER HOT.
AND THE CICADAS ARE SO ANNOYING.
miiin
miiin
miiin

SO HOT...
flap
flap
CAN YOU PLEASE LET ME THROUGH?
AH!
I'M SORRY!
IT'S REALLY HOT TODAY, HUH?
snoosh
snoosh
flinch
Ugh...
Snap
SHOULD I CALL TO ASK HIM FOR DIRECTIONS ?

THUD
ARGH! THAT'S ENOUGH!
...
flip
snap
flip
snap
flip
Ugh
Ughhh
rustle
flip
Etching artist
KONOMI SUETSUGU

YOU'RE GOING TO MEET YOUR FATHER?
WHY SO SUD-DENLY?
IF YOU WANT TO MEET HIM, THEN I CAN ASK SUETSUGU-KUN FOR YOU
I THINK HE PROBABLY LIVES IN KYUSHU NOW

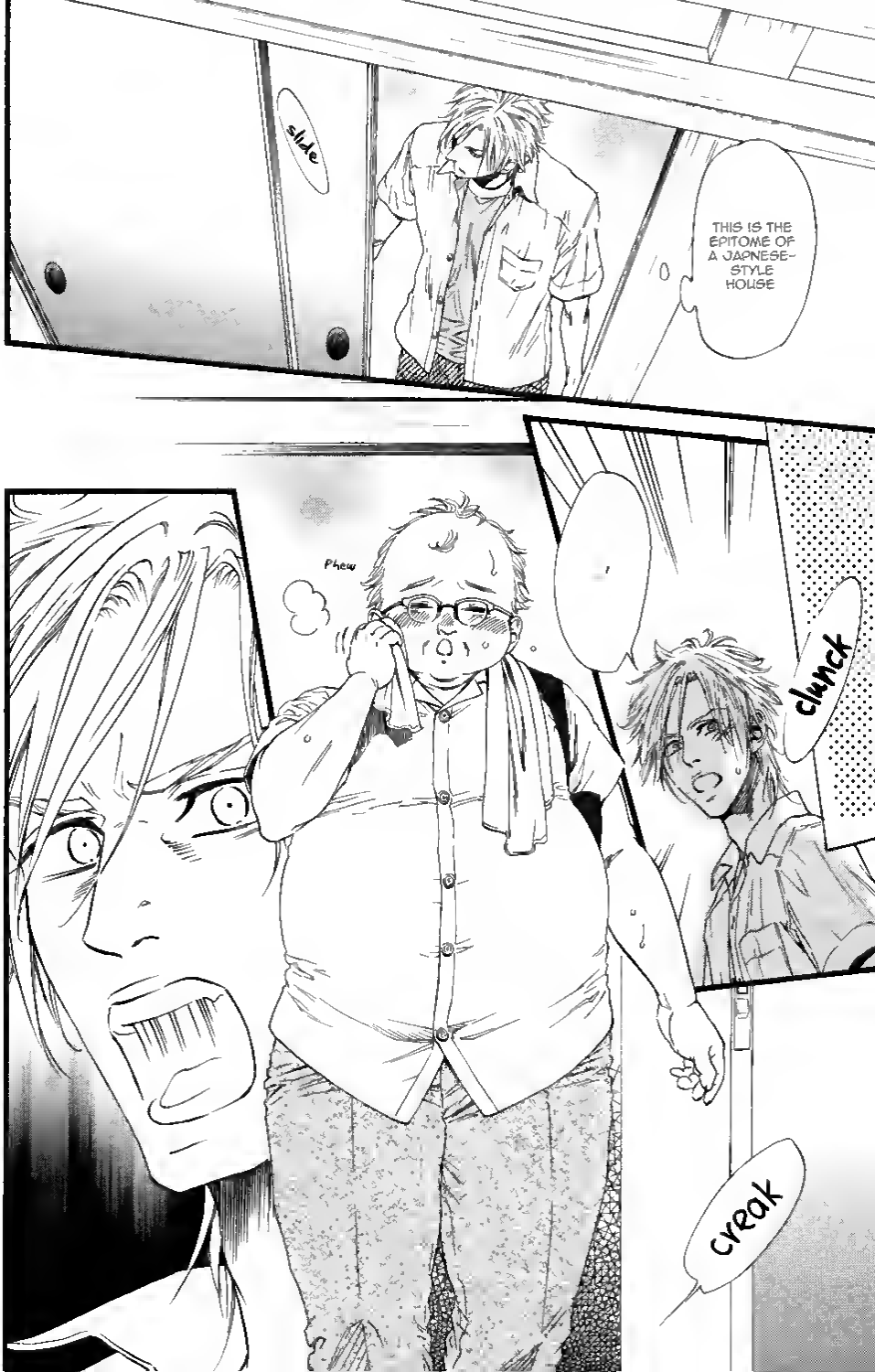
I was shocked cause I always thought I could meet him whenever I wanted
Kyushu...
But where in Kyushu?
It's been more than 10 years.
YOU WERE STILL A KID THEN.
DIDN'T HE LIVE IN YOKOHAMA THE LAST TIME WE MET HIM?!
HUH?!
bounce
bounce
He was so young that I thought he was my brother...
He was my father, but it didn't feel like that to me at all
I remember clearly the last time I'd met him when I was small
Besides, I somehow had a feeling that...

Snap!
DON'T GO SHOWING ME YOUR PANTIES, OLD HAG!
YOU KNOW?
HE'S CUTE BUT KINDA WEIRD, SO I WONDER WHAT HE'LL SAY...
tug
tug
tug
I DON'T HATE HIM, BUT HOW SHOULD I PUT IT...
ALRIGHT!
She's quite flashy and straight-forward
My mom married a man who was 6 years younger than she was because she got pregnant. One year after that, they were divorced
WHAT?
HEHEHE!
I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING. YOU'RE GOING TO MEET HIM AND THEN COMPARE MY CURRENT MAN WITH HIM, AREN'T YOU?
AH! DON'T YOU DARE SAY THAT I'VE GROWN OLD!
OR I'LL NEVER GIVE YOU POCKET MONEY AGAIN!

OH!
Suetsugu Etching class
FOUND IT!
ba-dump
ba-dump
ba-dump
ba-dump
ba-dump
ba-dump
ba-dump
BUZZZ
OKAY HERE I GO
ba-dump
silence

BUZZZ
EXCUSE ME!
rattle
...!
HELLO
sliiide
MAY I COME IN?

pat pat
I'M A BIT DISAP-POINTED
thump
gargle gargle gargle
To prevent the flu...
I GUESS THE KITCHEN IS FINE
Where is it?
Ugh...
?
BATH-ROOM
So he's been living in a place like this.
Such an old house...


slide
THIS IS THE EPITOME OF A JAPNESE-STYLE HOUSE
Phew
clunck
creak

WHA- WHAT? YOU MUST BE KIDDING ME!
HOW COULD HE CHANGE SO MUCH OVER A FEW YEARS...?!
boing boing
creak
AH- HELLO-
bow
H- HELLO!!!
WHAT A UNIQUE BALDNESS!
DON'T TELL ME THIS IS MY DNA!
SENSEI, THANK YOU SO MUCH
rattle
Hun...?
rattle
CLANG

RYOU
AH

Y-- YES.
What's wrong with him?
RYOU...?
Why's he staring at me like that...
UMM... WHERE SHOULD I PUT MY LUGGAGE...
IS THERE SOMETHING WEIRD ABOUT ME?
AH... RIGHT
JUST PUT IT IN THE GUEST ROOM..
Does my coming here trouble him after all...?
Or maybe he's just surprised at how much I've grown.
WE HAVEN'T MET IN SO LONG AND EVEN THOUGH HE ISN'T BALD, HE DOES LOOK A BIT SLOPPY FOR OUR REUNION

I thought he'd be more like "I've missed you so much" or something...

Nah, it's not like I was expecting anything anyway...

INDEED, HE IS WEIRD

Splash
Well, I won't die, even if he doesn't think anything of me.
I wonder how he's doing now
WON'T IT BE BETTER IF WE JUST COMMUNICATE BY PHONE?
IN MIDDLE SCHOOL, THERE WAS THIS GUY WHO USED TO HOLD A BAT ALL THE TIME SAYING THAT HIS DAD WON'T PAY FOR THE CHILD-REARING EXPENSES
Haven't I been fine so far?
Splash
It's okay... This won't hurt me.
IT'S OKAY...
I'M PERFECTLY FINE...

AND HE'S DISAPPEARED AGAIN...
I look like an idiot
GUESS I SHOULD JUST WATCH TV
sneak
creak
HMM- HER SMILE LOOKS A BIT LIKE MARILYN MONROE'S
THAT'S THE ONLY THING THEY'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THESE PAST FEW DAYS
CLICK
THE NATIONAL IDOL GETTING ARRESTED WAS A SHOCK NOT ONLY FOR OUR COUNTRY, BUT FOR HONG KONG AND TAIWAN AS WELL..
CLICK
THE PRICE FOR REGULAR GASOLINE IS 125.3 YEN PER LITER, WHILE THE PRICE FOR HIGH-OCTANE GASOLINE IS ..
CLICK

CREAK
HAA...
AH
IS THIS "SUETSUGU-KUN?"
I don't know if it's good or bad,
but I have a feeling that it's something great
I wonder what I should call him.
Dad? Father? You...?

THAT ONE'S QUITE GOOD, DON'T YOU THINK?
AH... HUH...?!
NON-CHAN, A 6-YEAR-OLD, DREW IT IN PAINTING CLASS
AH... SO THE OLD MAN EARLIER WAS A STUDENT FROM THE PAINTING CLASS, HUH...?
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO EAT FOR DINNER?
NOTHING I MEAN, WHATEV-ER.. It's fine...
I SEE

...
Ah. Maybe it's because it's close to the sea!
SINCE THE FISH WAS SO GOOD...
I GUESS THAT WAS HIS WAY OF WELCOMING ME, HUH ?
silence
Delux!
I don't get it, but...
silent

T/N: Obon Festival, also known as Festival of the Dead

warm and fuzzy
WOAH... WHO'S THIS GUY?! HE'S TRANS-FORMED...!
WHERE IS HIS BEARD?! AND HIS GLASS-ES...?!
WOULD YOU LIKE SOME COFFEE?
Are- Are you going out?! ? ?
bu-dump
bu-dump
bu-dump
NO... I DON'T DRINK COFFEE...
DO YOU HAVE MILK..?
I DON'T CAUSE IT'LL HURT MY STOMACH IF I DRINK IT
Heh...
Is he a kid...?

blush
...!
clatter
COME SIT DOWN.
clinck
He was beat red...
That was unexpectedly cute...
creak

HAHA!
I FORGOT TO MAKE RICE...
clatter
Bread with miso soup?
HE'S CUTE!
YOU LOOK SO YOUNG NOW THAT YOU SHAVED YOUR BEARD.
HOW OLD ARE YOU, BY THE WAY?
35
PFFT
So young! I'm 17, you know?!
...5?!
37

Is he a girl?
WHY DID HE LIE...?
fwip
So he still cares about her.
MOM? SHE'S TOTALLY FINE.
...
IS ASHIDUKA-SAN DOING FINE?
Huh? He's not interested?
OH, I SEE.
SHE MIGHT REMARRY THIS TIME
Does he still love her...?

I really don't understand him...
HE RETREATED TO HIS ROOM AGAIN...
WHAT ON EARTH DID I COME HERE FOR...?
flip
snap
flip
kachick
kachick
DOESN'T THIS LOOK LIKE I RAN FROM HOME TO SULK BECAUSE MY MOM IS REMARRYING?
DO I HAVE A MOTHER COMPLEX?
NO... MAYBE A FATHER COMPLEX?
It's so bright...
I can't see the screen at all...
snap
flip
AH...
THUMP

Wobble
bump
oops
clack
My body is...
STOP
Huh?
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK

What
is
this?
WHAT...?
THAT HURTS... OUUCH...
kachi
kachi-ck
kachi-ck
mmm mmm
mmm mmm

My hand was sucked in...
No way... It didn't feel like that...
Did I faint because it's too hot?
Where is this...? The house?
PIG-LIKES
WHAT JUST HAPPENED...?!
creak
But... Where does this strange feeling come from...?

Who is he...?
rattle
A student ?
No, he's not...
WHO MIGHT YOU BE?

Mourning clothes...
AH!
AH, I KNOW YOU!
A bat...?!
Phew...
Y- YEAH. I'M NOT SOMEONE SUSPICIOUS.
HUH...?!
NO, YOU'VE GOT IT WRONG! I'M STAYING HERE!
...
A THIEF?

Huh? Where's the other one...?
rub
...!
Was the scent of incense stick this thick before...?
ANYWAY, WHO ARE YOU...?
THAT'S BECAUSE I JUST FELL.
BUT IT'S STILL SUSPICIOUS YOU'RE ONLY WEARING ONE SANDAL
THE MONK CAME THIS MORNING
AND THE NEIGHBORS JUST LEFT
This is too strange. All of a sudden
THEN I'LL GO MAKE SOME TEA NOW PLEASE, SIT

Huh?
No one came by today.
And none of these things were there yesterday
What the hell's going on here?

DING
DING
DING
DING
click
slump
This isn't the house I was in before...
DING
DING
DING

THAT'S RIGHT... MY PHONE
SHIT... I DON'T HAVE IT!!!
rattle
UMM, ARE YOU FINE WITH BARLEY TEA?

rub
ARE YOU AL-RIGHT...?
I'M NOT...!!!
I'M NOT EITHER. I ALSO FEEL SAD WHENEVER I THINK ABOUT MY GRANDMA...
MASAYUKI-SAN, YOU WERE LIVING HERE WITH GRANDMA BEFORE, RIGHT...?

Masa-yuki...?
MY GRANDMA CONFIDED IN ME THAT YOU WERE TAKING SHELTER HERE
I WAS ALSO LEFT IN HER CARE FOR SOME TIME
stand
MASA-YUKI-SAN...?
Slide
THAT'S RIGHT

IF I JUST REPEAT WHAT HAPPENED EARLIER...
dash
dash
dash
AH, HOLD-
rattle
THEN I CAN GO BACK...!!!
jump
SLAM
Waaah!
...
ARE YOU REALLY ALRIGHT...?
JUST... WHO ON EARTH ARE YOU REALLY...?!

August

13

Thursday

Showa year 62

AD year 1987

COME TO THINK OF IT, IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, IN THIS TOWN, THERE ARE DAYS THAT STUDENTS HAVE TO GO TO SCHOOL EVEN DURING SUMMER VACATION. THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T HEAR THE VOICES OF THE KIDS PLAYING IN THE NEIGHBOR-HOOD TODAY
ON AUGUST 9TH, AT 11:02AM, A SIREN ECHOED ALL OVER THIS TOWN. WHEN I STARTED PRAYING IN SILENCE, MY MOM ALSO STOPPED DOING HER CHORES, CLOSED HER EYES, AND STARTED PRAYING

creak
KONOMI! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
GO CLEAN THE TATAMI ROOM NEXT TO THIS ONE!
I'VE ALREADY FINISHED CLEANING!
THEN GO FIND SOME PLACE YOU STILL HAVEN'T CLEANED!
HOW INCONSIDERATE YOU OBVIOUSLY KNOW THIS HOUSE BETTER THAN I DO, RIGHT?!

This is my grandma's house from my dad's side. And I've lived here for three years, since I was ten.
I really loved my grandma.
She always treated me kindly and didn't get angry for no reason
swipe
swipe
I really wanted to live in this house ...

rub
WHAT IS IT?
KONOMI.
I DON'T WANT TO GO BACK!
WHY?! DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU'D STAY UNTIL THE 15TH?
IT CAN'T BE HELPED, IT'S MY JOB!
STOP SHOUTING!
I HAVE TO GO BACK TO YOKOHAMA ON THE 13TH.
HUH?

YOU HATE THIS PLACE BECAUSE IT'S DAD'S!
...!
YOU SIMPLY DON'T WANT TO STAY HERE, DO YOU?!
...
SLAP
YOU'RE SO RUDE!
YOU DON'T WANT TO GO BACK WITH ME?!
THEN YOU CAN JUST STAY HERE ALONE IF YOU WANT!

Although a little age I was still praying for the people who died back then by the atomic bombs and even though I know the following is rude, I think someone like my mom should just die
Even if she did, I don't think I'd even shed a single tear for her.
rattle
SLAM

The summer when I was 14 years old was the worst of all. Until he appeared before me.

IT- IT'S SUETSUGU KONOMI...
WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY... YOUR NAME IS...?

BE-CAUSE...
PISSED
WHAT REASON DO I HAVE TO LIE TO YOU?
HUH... LIAR... THERE'S NO WAY THAT'S TRUE...

I'M 14— IS THERE A PROBLEM WITH THAT?
GRAB
WOAH...
BECAUSE... TELL ME, HOW OLD ARE YOU?!
AH!
HEY! MY GLASS-ES!
...
WHAT...?

YANK
GIVE ME BACK MY GLASS-ES!
...
WHAT DATE IS IT TODAY...?
WHAT?
DID YOU SLIP THROUGH TIME OR SOME-THING? GEEZ...
tug
NN...
14? YOU SAID 14... 14...?

IT'S SHOWA YEAR 62. THERE'S A CALENDAR OVER THERE IF YOU WANT TO CHECK.
creak
AH!
HEY! I JUST FINISHED CLEANING!
bang
13
August
13
Year of the rabbit
Thursday
Bad luck all day
Showa Year 62
AD year 1987

A CALL...? THE PHONE'S AT THE END OF THE HALLWAY...
?
CAN I... MAKE A CALL...?
fumble
fumble
fumble
rub
A WALL? WHAT ABOUT THE DOOR?

WHIRR
WHIRR
WHIRR
WHIRR
WHIRR
WHIRR
YES, HELLO? THIS IS FUJII
WHIRR
WHIRR
WHIRR
clack
ding
AH...
I'M SORRY... WRONG NUMBER...

WHIRR
WHIRR
WHIRR
WHIRR
WHIRR
AH...
?
clack
UMM...
WHAT WILL I DO NOW? I CAN'T GO BACK...

CAN'T GO BACK? HUH? YOU MEAN TO YOUR HOUSE?
Huh?!
You were planning to stay here?!
I'll be in trouble!
I ONLY WANTED TO SPEND A NORMAL SUMMER HERE...!
I THINK
I MIGHT REALLY BE IN TROUBLE
WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO? WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "REALLY BE IN TROUBLE?"

@asp!
HOLD ON A SECOND!
COULD IT BE SOMETHING REALLY DANGEROUS?!
WILL YOU BELIEVE ME IF I TELL YOU...?
Like being chased by the police or the yakuza?
If I listen to your story, won't that put me in danger as well?!
IT- IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE YAKUZA, YOU KNOW...

I GUESS THE CIA OR THE FBI ARE MORE INVOLVED...

Stop! Stop! I don't want to hear it!!!
Ah...
What's going on?! Masayuki-san, you got targeted by the yakuza and came all the way here to hide, didn't you?!
Did you do something worse this time?!
NO, I'M NOT MASA-

I THOUGHT IT WAS STRANGE...
YOU DON'T WEAR MOURNING CLOTHES AND YOUR HAIRSTYLE IS STRANGE AND YOU CAME IN THROUGH THE BACKYARD...

What should I do? What should I do now?
squeeze
I HAVE NO-WHERE ELSE TO GO
I BEG YOU! PLEASE HELP ME!

SQUEEZE
ARE YOU ON YOUR OWN HERE? WHAT ABOUT YOUR PARENTS?
THEY WENT BACK HOME...
THEN I BEG YOU. HELP ME... PLEASE?
...
I- I GET IT ALREADY. PLEASE LET GO OF ME...
SIGH
I WONDER WHAT HE KNOWS ABOUT THAT MASAYUKI...

UGH EVEN THOUGH I'M ALSO A MAN, I LOST TO HIS GOOD LOOKS

If I'm forced to go to juvie for harboring a criminal,
This makes me an accomplice in crime.

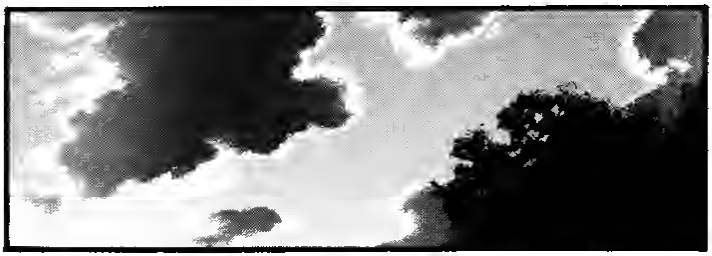
splash
splash
And dad would also have to come back...
I wonder what kind of face my mom will make.

I WONDER IF HE HAS ANY...
AH WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH FOOD MONEY?
splash splash
I JUST NEED TO HIDE HIM CAREFULLY
UMM
slide
SLAM
dig dig dig dig dig dig dig
MASAYUKI-SA-

Hmmm
MAYBE HE'S ON SOME WEIRD DRUG
HE'S WAY TOO SCARY!!!
EVEN THOUGH HE'S SO COOL
MASAYUKI-SAN!
HEY!
HEY, MASAYUKI-SAN!
MAS-AYUKI-SAN!
AH HUH?
MASAYUKI-SAN, IF YOU'RE GOING TO STAY HERE, I THINK WE'LL NEED TO TALK ABOUT FOOD EX-PENSES

rustle
LET ME SEE...
rustle
UMM, DO YOU HAVE ANY MONEY?
AH...
...
...
UMM...
I DON'T HAVE ANY I THINK...

I'LL DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT, OKAY?
P- Please stop making that face



clack

DO YOU HAVE MILK?
MY STOMACH WILL HURT IF I DRINK MILK, SO I DON'T BUY ANY
DO YOU HATE BARLEY TEA?
HUH? AH, NO, NOT AT ALL...
IT'S THE SAME AS THIS MORNING, HUH ?
YOU HAD CURRY THIS MORNING AS WELL?!
Just what kind of stomach do you have?!
NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT...

I WAS THINK ING THAT YOU REALLY ARE SUETSUGU KONOMI
WHY DID YOU HELP ME?
AREN'T I SUSPI- CIOUS? ISN'T IT DANGER- OUS?
creak
I THINK IF MY GRANDMA WERE HERE, SHE'D DO THE SAME THING
AND... YOU CRIED WHEN YOU SAW THE BUDDHIST ALTAR
HMM
BUT WEREN'T YOU THE ONE WHO ASKED ME TO HELP YOU IN THE FIRST PLACE?
clinck

MAA-CHAN?
HUH? THEN HOW ABOUT YAMANO-SAN?
MASA-YUKI-KUN?
creak
SOMEHOW, HEARING YOU CALLING ME LIKE THAT DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT...
WHAT SHOULD I CALL YOU?
I DON'T KNOW...
KO-
KONO-MI...
NN...
MA-MAA-CHAN IS A BIT...
clinck
I GUESS I WAS A BIT SELFISH

whirl whirl
Aw! He's not listening!
HMM— AH! WHAT SHOULD WE DO FROM HERE ON OUT?

slide
YESTERDAY, IT WAS STILL JUST A BATH
creak
creak

T/N: Heisei is the current era in Japan. It started in 1989

slide
I always thought that people would panic more in situations like this.
But strangely enough, it's made me think more instead...

To deal with this problem, the first thing I need to do is win over this teenage version of Suetsugu Konomi.

NN...
SO IT'S NOT ETCHING...
IT'S FULL OF OIL PAINT-INGS.
Is this what they call the instinct of self-preservation?
He's even younger than I am...
I GUESS I'M STARTING TO GO CRAZY.
SHIT... HE'S SLEEPING SO SOUNDLY
NN/ MM
POKE
POKE

There's no way something so absurd can last forever.
I'm sure things will go back to normal once I wake up.
There's just no way...

Just thinking about being penniless and unable to return to my time scares the hell out of me!!!
Money,
Money!
Money...
Money...
WHAT?
stare
E-
EXCUSE
ME!
UMM
I- I'LL DO
ANYTHING
CAN YOU
PLEASE LET
ME WORK
HERE?!

I NEED MONEY!
mi in mi in
mi in mi in
mi in mi in
mi in mi in
mi in mi in

Woah!
I was really surprised this morning
I woke up and saw him sleeping beside me
IT'S SO HOT...
mi-in
There were traces of tears.
creak
...
AH...
NN...
...

MIIIN
MORE IMPORTANTLY, I WONDER IF HE LL PAY ME BACK
THOUGH IT'S ONLY 2000 YEN
BUT I WAS FINALLY GONNA LIVE HERE ALONE...
PAT
PAT
That's rude!
HOW DARE HE GET DEPRESSED AFTER SIMPLY SEEING ME?!
WHERE DID HE DISAPPEAR TO?
IS IT FINE FOR HIM TO GO OUT?
T/N Yakitoki is chicken pieces grilled on a skewer
YAKITORI
YES!
ASHIDUKA!
THE SKEWERS ARE GONNA BURN! TURN THEM FASTER!

PUSH
AH! HE HEARD US!
HAHAHA!
I KNOW, RIGHT?
YOU'RE RIGHT, HE'S REALLY CUTE!
I'M GONNA DIE...
AKIT
IT'S HOT! SO HOT!
TWO SKEWERS, PLEASE~
HEHEHE~ ♡
YAKIT
WOW! THEIR EYEBROWS ARE SO THICK AND THEIR LIPSTICK IS SO RED
It's similar to gal style but unnatural in a whole other way
HEY, YOU, THE PRETTY LADY OVER THERE! WOULD YOU ALSO LIKE ONE?
RIGHT AWAY!
THANK YOU VERY MUCH! IT'S 200 YEN
OH, MY~ HE SAID I'M PRETTY! WHAT A SMOOTH TALKER! ♡
Uh-huh...
HEH THE FIRST THING YOU HAVE TO DO WHEN YOU SEE A GIRL IS PRAISE HER I LEARNT THAT FROM MY FA- THERLESS FAMILY

SO YOU'RE 20?
HEY, WHAT TIME DO YOU GET OFF WORK? HOW ABOUT GOING FOR A DRIVE LATER?
HUH?
WANNA EARN A BIT MORE POCKET MONEY?
YOU CAN IF YOU COME WITH US WHAT DO YOU THINK?
But seeing these girls makes me even more scared
It's just like watching TV...
POCKET MONEY?
sizzle
crackle
crackle
SMACK
Ouch!
OH! HIS SHIFT ENDS AT 11PM!
C'MON! IF I WERE A HANDSOME GUY LIKE YOU, I'D SAY "YES!" AND GO RIGHT AWAY!
munch
WE'LL COME PICK YOU UP LATER~ ♡
Bye~ bye~ ♡

Old man

WHO WILL YOU CHOOSE?

I'D GO FOR THE ONE WITH THE CURLY HAIR ♡

THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO FLIRT

BUT THE POCKET MONEY IS SO TEMPTING

T/N: Kakigoori is shave ice

KAKIGOORI

I WONDER WHAT IT IS THEY WANT

?!

WHA- WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

YOU KNOW, THAT SHOULD BE MY LINE

WHAT A LADY KILLER

He saw that

DASH
AH! WAIT!
KO-KONOMI?!
flinch
...!
HUH?
HUH?
HEY, ISN'T THAT SUET-SUEU?
GLARE
HEY, LIL' BRO GIMME ME TEN SKEWERS!
...!!!
Y- YES!
PUNKS!

VROOOM
NEXT TIME, WE'LL TAKE YOU WITH US TILL NOON!
SEE YOU, MAA-CHAN!
IF YOU DECIDE TO STAY HERE, GIVE US A CALL!
AH, YES
THANK YOU FOR DRIVING ME HOME
SLAM
VROOOM
VRRR
THUD
UGHHH
I'M SO TIRED PEOPLE IN THIS ERA SURE HAVE A LOT OF VITALITY
JUST HOW ENERGETIC ARE THEY?
rustle
rustle

CHEERS FOR THE BUBBLE ECONO-MY!!!
HEH...

Tomorrow, I'm gonna go buy a T-shirt and then continue my part-time job at that festival stall
I'll go to Tokyo after that
ZZZ

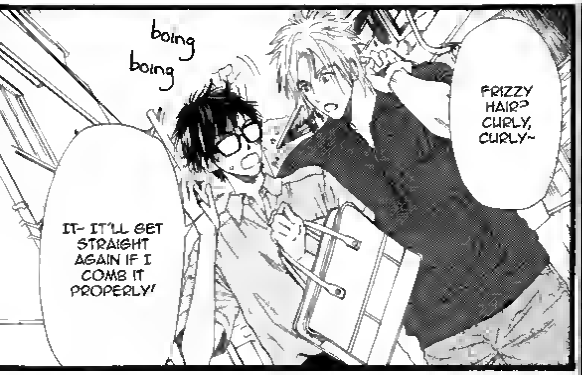
I wonder why
father suddenly came back home today
miiin
miiin
miiin
HOW ABOUT THIS ONE?
I DON'T THINK IT'S TRENDY, BUT IT'S GOOD THOUGH.
THEY SAID IT'S TRENDY.

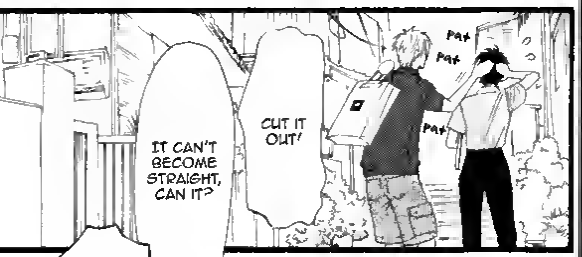
SALE
50% OFF!
IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH HIM?
I CAN FINALLY GET RID OF THE SMELL OF SWEAT! I ALSO BOUGHT UNDERWEAR!
IT'S LAME THOUGH
AH, THAT'S RIGHT! HERE'S THE 2000 YEN I BORROWED FROM YOU!
IS IT REALLY OKAY?
SORRY ABOUT THAT YOU REALLY HELPED ME OUT
WILL YOU COME TODAY AS WELL? TO THE SHRINE, I MEAN

I WON'T
WHY? JUST COME I EVEN SECRETLY GAVE YOUR FRIENDS EXTRA YAKITORI YESTERDAY
When the old man wasn't looking
THEY'RE NOT MY FRIENDS OR ANY-THING
WE WERE A BIT CLOSE WHEN I FIRST CAME HERE,
BUT WE DON'T TALK TO EACH OTHER ANYMORE
I see!
I'M NOT GOOD AT THINGS LIKE THAT

Indeed... It seems he's not good at interacting with people.
That means he's totally different from me...
Well, that's why he became an artist...
...
IT'S REALLY BEAUTIFUL, SO I WANTED YOU TO SEE IT
WE WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE THE FLOATING LANTERNS TODAY. IT'S SUCH A PITY.
I want to tell him that it'll be okay.
but he'll still end up getting a divorce and living alone in the future anyway...

I don't know why things didn't go well between him and mom.
He's so cute...A bit weird, though.
It'd be good if someone who could understand him appeared.


boing boing
IT- IT'LL GET STRAIGHT AGAIN IF I COMB IT PROPERLY!
FRIZZY HAIR? CURLY, CURLY~


IT CAN'T BECOME STRAIGHT, CAN IT?
CUT IT OUT!
PAT
PAT
PAT

Geez... You reek of sweat!
SIGH

poke

Something so absurd might not have happened in his past,
If there was someone who could stay beside him,
then maybe he'd get better at communicating with people and wouldn't get divorced. And he'd stay with me forever.
but even if I keep thinking about it, nothing good will come of it...
BRING THE NEXT BOX OF CHICKENS HERE!
Heave ho!
AH, YES!
How can I go back?
What should I do if things continue like this?

It's true! A 2000 yen bonus!
WOAH!
THANKS TO YOU, LOTS OF GIRLS CAME TO BUY TODAY
GOOD JOB! HERE'S A SMALL BONUS
I'm sure I'll get my chance...
THANK YOU SO MUCH!
That's why you should introduce some girls to me too
Definitely!

I'M BACK!
rattle rattle
HEY!
ARE YOU STILL UP?!
Pat Pat

WHAT?
brush
brush
LET'S GO!
haa
haa
LET'S GO WATCH THE FLOATING LANTERNS!
NOW? I THINK THEY'VE ALREADY DRIFTED AWAY
MAYBE
THEY'RE A BIT FAR, BUT SOME PEOPLE SAID WE CAN STILL SEE THEM
IF WE GO TO HIGHER GROUND
C'MON, HURRY UP!

THEY DID SAY HIGHER GROUND, BUT HOW MUCH MORE ARE WE GONNA CLIMB?
A BIT MORE
SL
IP
Waaah!
...!!!

grab
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING?! BE CAREFUL!
IF SOMETHING WERE TO HAPPEN TO HIM, SOMETHING BAD WOULD HAPPEN TO ME!!!
As well
YOUR EYE-COLOR IS SO LIGHT
HUH? YEAH
ba-dump

That hurts...
THAT'S 'CAUSE I HAVE SOME FOREIGN BLOOD IN ME
THAT WAS WHAT I WANTED TO SAY, BUT I'M MASAYUKI NOW
He'll get married to a woman with the same eye color several years from now. But he doesn't know that.
flash
WHAT A STRANGE LIGHT BROWN
YOU KNOW...
YOU'RE BLINDING ME

WE'RE HERE.

WOW! SO BEAUTIFUL...
I KNOW, RIGHT?!
Huh?!
HAHA...
WHAT'S WITH THAT? YOU TOTALLY SOUND LIKE SOMEONE WHO'S FROM AROUND HERE.
YOU'RE ONE TO TALK, MASAYUKI-KUN. ARE YOU REALLY FROM THE KANTOU REGION? CAUSE YOUR ACCENT SOUNDS WEIRD
AH...
YOU OFTEN ADD "MAYBE" OR "LIKE THAT" AT THE END OF YOUR SENTENCES.

MASA-KUN? ARE YOU OKAY?
I GUESS THAT'S TRUE...
YEAH...

I WANT TO ACHIEVE MY LIFE GOALS TOO...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
DON'T YOU THINK IT'S COOL THAT WE ESCAPED THAT TRAGEDY RIGHT NOW? IT PROVES THAT WE'RE ALIVE...
BY WHAT?
WHY ARE YOU ASKING ME AGAIN?

I have a feeling that I've started to understand what kind of person he is
...

YOU WANNA
BE MY FRIEND?

I don't care about that now since I already know that it's impossible to understand him

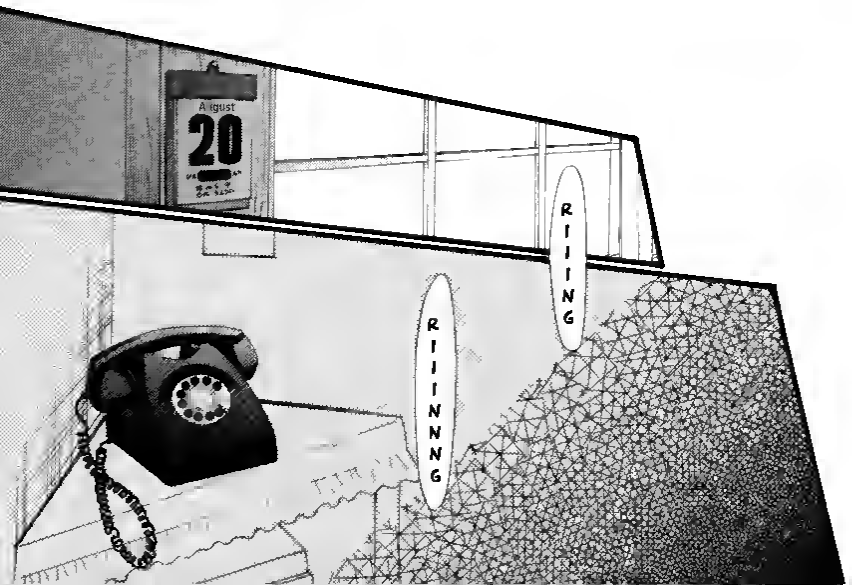
WELL... I WONDER
I JUST WANNA GET ALONG WELL WITH YOU...
CAN WE REALLY BECOME FRIENDS?
YOU ASK ME THAT, BUT...

IF YOU STAY THERE, EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT...
THEN... YOU JUST NEED TO STAY IN THAT HOUSE WITH ME FOREVER

'CAUSE I'LL PROTECT YOU...
mmmmm
mmmmm
mmmmm
DID YOU MESS AROUND WITH THE BACKYARD AGAIN?
That's right.
I'm not alone.
rub
YEAH...

IS THERE SOMETHING THERE?
squeeze
HAVE YOU CALMED DOWN?
LET'S STAY LIKE THIS A BIT MORE

He is my father, even though he hasn't become my father yet.
My father will protect me.
It'll be fine if I stay here...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20
RIIING
RIIINNNG

The phone's ringing...
Is Konomi calling?
RIIING
UGH... I FELL ASLEEP...
RIIING
creak
RIIING
RIIING
RIIING
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
RIIING
BUT IT COULD BE KONOMI...
RIIINNNG
RIIING
slide
RIIINNNG
RIIINNNG

AH! THANK GOODNESS! SOMEONE FINALLY PICKED UP!
YES...
HELLO...
MASAYUKI!
UMM... I'M MASAYUKI... FROM THE YAMANO FAMILY...
I'M SORRY, WHO MIGHT YOU BE?
AH... ERRR...
UMM...

WHO ARE YOU?
SLAM
SHIT, WHY DID I HANG UP?
I SHOULD HAVE SAID THAT I'M ON OMI.
WHAT THE HELL AM I DOING?
Juice
Draft
Fried
Stewed hijiki mixture
Egg with
BEEP
Egami Factory
MASAYUKI, WHAT'S THE MATTER? WERE YOU ABLE TO CONTACT THEM?
AH, NO...
IT SEEMS LIKE THERE WAS SOME-ONE ELSE THERE...

clanck
Thick Fried Tofu
Fried Egg
Stewed Hijiki Mixture
Egg with Garlic Chives
Salad
Potato
Meat and Potato Stew
Beer
Draft
300
300
150
300
200
300
490
If he wasn't a relative, then it could be bad...
Oh, well. There's no way they could find that easily...
Who was the guy that just picked up the phone?
I thought some of her relatives still live there, but maybe I was wrong.

IT'S SO OBVIOUS THEY SHOULD JUST FIND A WAY TO DEAL WITH IT I REALLY DON'T GET THEM
I SEE
IN THE END, MY DAD DIDN'T COME BACK AND MY MOM JUST GOT MORE ANGRY
AND THEN, WHEN I CAME BACK TO YOKOHAMA, IT WAS STILL THE SAME NOTHING INTERESTING AT ALL.

Ever since we became "friends," Konomi started talking more.
THEY'RE ADULTS, AREN'T THEY?
slurp
Seeing him try his best to talk makes me think he's kinda cute.
Since Konomi in the future ee my father doesn't talk to me at all...
Sometimes, these two different sides of him are not equal in my heart.
I guess he wee really lonely
HUH?
AM I BORING YOU? 'CAUSE I'VE BEEN THE ONLY TALKING FOR A WHILE

MASA-KUN, YOU'RE...
HM?
THOUGH THAT THING YOU SAID ABOUT ROUSSEAU OR KAMEI KATSUICHIROU? I DIDN'T REALLY UNDERSTAND IT, TO BE HONEST
NN...
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? I WANNA KNOW MORE ABOUT YOU
WHAT IS IT?
SLURP
HMM
AREN'T WE FRIENDS?
I WANT TO HEAR ABOUT YOU, TOO WHY DON'T YOU TALK ABOUT YOURSELF?

...
...
AH
LOOKS LIKE IT'S GOING TO RAIN SOON I GUESS I SHOULD BRING THE LAUNDRY IN
IT'S OKAY IT'S MY TURN TODAY
tap
I'LL HELP YOU.
clatter

It's been 12 days since I came to this era, I still don't have a clue about how to go back to my time.
Although I can finally get closer to my "father."
Nothing's happened ever since the call that day, though never in my wildest dreams did I think that the real Masayuki would call.
clatter
rip rip rip
I'm gonna fake a sleep.
...

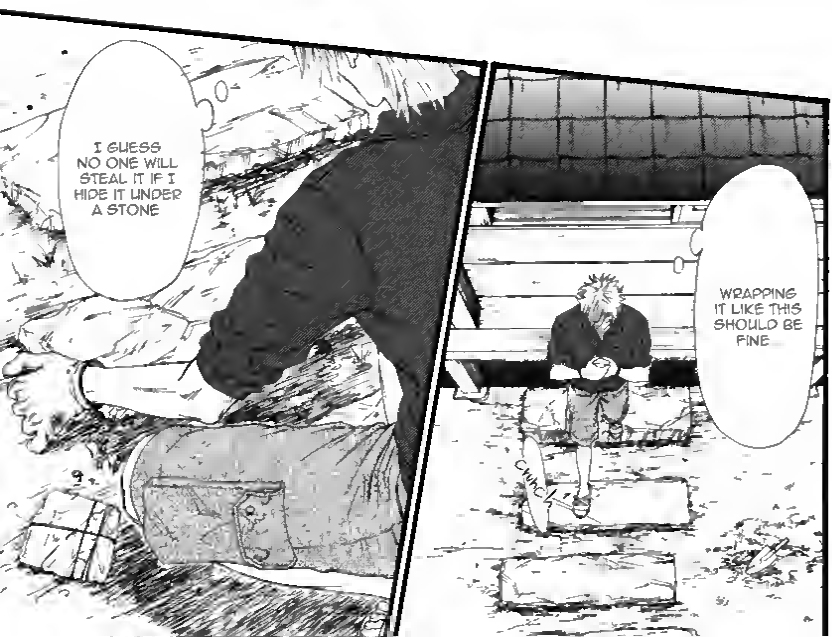
Year 2009
I have to find a way to get back as soon as possible..
Ah..
backyard
backyard
= The moment I tripped?
Konomi in 9th grade
Konomi and me = Alone
true
22 years ago
Year 2009
Year 1987
The location doesn't change
backyard
backyard
= The moment I tripped?
8/13
Konomi in 9th grade
I DON'T GET IT...
SOME-THING'S WRONG HMM...
22 YEARS AGO..
KONOMI WAS 37 NOW HE'S 14...

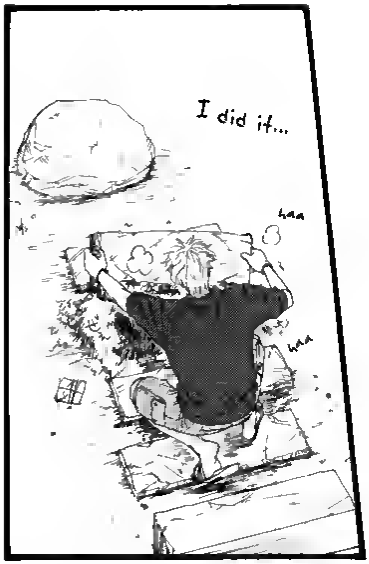
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WERE 14?!
AH... I MEAN...
I JUST TURNED 15 TODAY
HUH? YEAH
I'M 15 NOW
Why did you lie about it?!
HUH? THEN YOU WEREN'T 37 THEN, BUT 36?
WHO'S 37?!
UGH...
But...
WHAT'S WITH THAT?! YOU SHOULD'VE TOLD ME ABOUT IT!
TODAY?! ON THE 25TH?

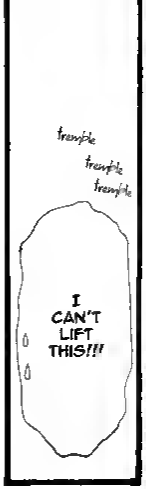
SAY, WHAT KIND OF PRESENT DO YOU WANT?
NOTHING WE HAVE TO SAVE MONEY
HUH?
THEN IS THERE SOMETHING YOU WANT? ANYTHING'S FINE
I SAID THERE'S NOTHING
AH, RIGHT!
rustle
I FOUND THIS IN THE BATHROOM
!!!
WAH!
ぐしゃ

WHAT'S WITH YOU?
DID YOU THINK I WAS GOING TO STEAL IT OR SOMETHING?
UGH...
Shit...
crumple
Just when we finally got closer...
It was a mistake to hide these in plain sight!

HE MIGHT HATE ME NOW...
Huuh
creak
WHERE? SOME-WHERE HIGH?
WHERE SHOULD I HIDE THIS?


I GUESS NO ONE WILL STEAL IT IF I HIDE IT UNDER A STONE
WRAPPING IT LIKE THIS SHOULD BE FINE
CRUNCH


I did it...
haaa
haaa


trample
trample
trample
I CAN'T LIFT THIS!!!

HOOO?!
clench
HEAVE

pat
pat

haaa

WHAT'S THIS?
shuffle

Scrunch
Scrunch
drip
drip
Uuuughhh! So heavy!!!
GAH!
IT'S RAINING!
drip

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
WOW... SUCH HEAVY RAIN
Shaaa
Shaaa
Shaaa
sliiide
attle
FLASH

BUMP
clatter
WOAH!

slide
YOU OKAY?
....
AH... UMM...

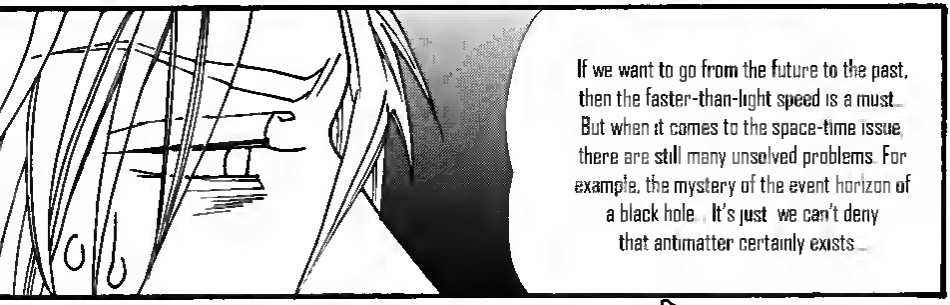
flick
flick
flick
A BLACK-OUT.
DID THE LIGHTING HIT SOME-WHERE NEAR??
BOOM
crackle
crackle
crackle
WAH...
UM... JUST NOW...
creak
I- I'M NOT! BUT IT STRUCK RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME ONCE.
ARE YOU SCARED OF THUN-DERBOLTS?
UGH...
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
THAT'S WHY...
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE

Pat
Pat
DON'T-
DON'T TOUCH ME, YOU PER-VERT!
squeeze
RUMMLE
WAAAHHH!
GET AWAY FROM ME!
PERVERT? DON'T TREAT ME LIKE I'M SOME MOLESTER ON THE SAIKYOU LINE
scuffle
scuffle
T/N Saikyou line is a Japanese railway line famous for molesting
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
WHAT? HOW MANY BILLION VOLTS DO YOU THINK A LIGHTING BOLT IS?
IF IT STRUCK US, BOTH OF US WOULD SURELY BE BURNT TO CRISP!
RUMBLE
HEHEHE...
SINCE YOU HELPED ME OUT BEFORE, I'LL HELP YOU THIS TIME WITH THE THUNDERBOLTS!

BUT IT'S STILL BETTER THAN BEING ALONE, RIGHT?
IT'S OKAY...
I'M SORRY ABOUT EARLIER...

slump
I...
DIDN'T PEEK INSIDE, YOU KNOW?
NN...
squeeze
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
Why can't I just tell him the truth?
Even though I don't want to hide it from him...
shaaa
shaaa
WHAT? WHY ARE YOU ASKING SOMETHING LIKE THAT ALL OF A SUDDEN?
SAY... DO YOU BELIEVE IN TIME TRAVEL?
JUST TELL ME...

According to the theory of relativity of time and space, if we can move through the universe with the speed of light which is about 3.00×10⁸ m/s then I guess it's not impossible to travel to the future
HMM-
TIME TRAVEL, HUH? THAT'S QUITE A DIFFICULT QUESTION, IF YOU ASK ME...
BUT IT'S HARD TO IMAGINE THAT OUR TECHNOLOGY CAN DEVELOP SO MUCH


If we want to go from the future to the past, then the faster-than-light speed is a must... But when it comes to the space-time issue, there are still many unsolved problems. For example, the mystery of the event horizon of a black hole... It's just we can't deny that antimatter certainly exists...

SQUEEZE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
WHAT-
WHAT WERE WE TALKING ABOUT AGAIN?
THAT SHOULD BE MY LINE!
If I hurt, you're heavy

FLASH
crackle
crackle
crackle
crackle
IF SO, THE ANTIPARTICLE MUST ALSO-
Waaahhh!!!

I- WON'T ASK YOU ABOUT WHO YOU ARE
OR THE REASON YOU CAME HERE...
SO CAN WE MAKE UP NOW?
U...
...wah...
He's so cute.
creak

YANK
AH...
CUT IT OUT..!
It's strange to think that my father is cute.
flick
flick flick
flash
...!!!
POW
I was talking seriously with you and you...
I'm sorry
But he's really cute.
AH...!
COME TO THINK OF IT, I FOUND SOMETHING WEIRD IN THE BACKYARD!
WEIRD?
I almost feel like I'm getting jealous of my mom...

I/N: Koban is a former Japanese small, oval gold co n.

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS THIS? GRASS...?
HUH? IS IT ROTTEN?
sniff
yuck
IT STINKS!
reeree
reeree
Ah... He lost interest.
I wish it was kaiju...
splat
HEY, LET'S PLAY WITH THE FIRE-WORKS!
I STILL HAVE SOME SPARKLERS IN THE HOUSE FROM A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO.

SPRAY!!
SPRAY!!
2 YEARS AGO, MY GRANDMA AND I PLAYED WITH FIREWORKS ON MY BIRTHDAY AS WELL.
I SEE...

Sparkle
Flick
Flick
...
SPARKLERS ARE PRETTY, BUT LOOKING AT THEM MAKES ME FEEL A BIT LONELY FOR SOME REASON.
...
...
Sparkle
Sparkle
SPIT IT OUT.
tug
tug
DO YOU REALLY MEAN IT..?
HEY, HAVE YOU DECIDED WHAT YOU WANT?
ANY-THING'S FINE.
I WANT NOTHING

UMM... I...
WANT TO BECOME CLOSER TO YOU.
YEAH. WHAT DO YOU WANT?
I'VE NEVER MET SOMEONE LIKE YOU BEFORE, MASA-KUN...
BE- BECAUSE...
WHEN YOU TREATED ME COLDLY BEFORE, I WAS REALLY SHOCKED!

I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO ASK HIM...

I FINALLY REALIZED THE REASON I CAME HERE...

SINCE I WAS A CHILD, I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO ASK SUETSUGU KONOMI THIS...

YEAH I LOVE YOU
DO YOU LOVE ME...?

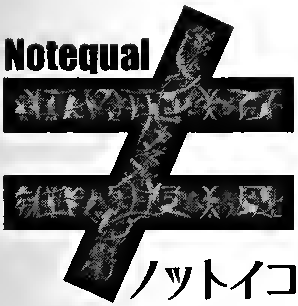
IT WASN'T STRANGE
NN
I
SAID SOMETHING STRANGE, DIDN'T I?
SPARKLE
BECAUSE WHAT'S STRANGE
HAPPENED A LONG TIME AGO

reeree
reeree
reeree

I never thought that it was bad to kiss him
The expression on his future self's face when I first met him was definitely because I'd kissed him before

ALL OF A SUDDEN, THE PAST AND THE FUTURE KONOMI FINALLY BECAME THE SAME PERSON IN MY HEART.
THIS IS...
THE BEST BIRTHDAY I'VE EVER HAD...
RIIING

As if I let my mom have you! As if I'd let you become my father!



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RIIING
RIIING
RIIING
YEAH...
YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY, ASHIOUKA-SAN.
WE'RE GETTING ALONG JUST FINE...
creak
creak
creak

RIIING
WE DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER IT
IT'S ONLY MY MOM ANYWAY
rattle
RIIING
I SAID IT'S FINE!
squeeze
RIIING
creak

10
PLATFORM NUMBER 10
If no one's found it,
I can still sell it
The weed...

sigh
WHY DOESN'T THAT KID LISTEN TO ME?!
Slam

rub
Ah
pinch
Nn
No!
AH, SORRY!
HE'S SO SEXY...

haa
haa
creak
WAS IT TOO FAST?
AH... He's hard...
var-dummy
var-dummy
var-dummy
IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT, THEN I'LL STOP..
sigh
I have to cool down...
NO...
DON'T STOP
IF YOU STOP NOW, I BET YOU'LL GO PLAY WITH A GIRL, RIGHT?
IF YOU CAN DO IT...
THEN I WANT TO DO IT RIGHT THIS INSTANT.

DON'T BLAME ME LATER, OKAY?
...
creak
snap
gulp
NN...
tug
WOAH
IT DIDN'T GO SOFT EVEN AFTER SEEING HIS DICK... IT JUST GOT HARDER
SO I WAS HOMO AFTER ALL, HUH? CRAP

WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT?
IS MY BODY WEIRD...?
rub
HUH? NOT AT ALL.
THERE'S HARDLY ANY HAIR AND IT'S SUPER CUTE...
Mm-
HMPH!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY THAT!
No need for details!
YOU WON'T COME TO HATE ME AND SAY THAT YOU LIKE GIRLS BETTER?

HE'S SO CUTE...
I WON'T...
IT'S MORE LIKE...
I'M THE ONE WHO SHOULD BE WORRIED HERE...
THERE'S SOMETHING I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU...
...!
squeeze
IF YOU LEARN ABOUT THIS SOMEDAY,
WILL YOU STILL LOVE ME?

I DON'T THINK I WOULD KNOW HOW TO HATE YOU
NO MATTER WHAT YOU SAY,

Nn!
CREAK

Ahh!
lick
Ah...
I was called here to be together with him
I'm sure the reason I was sent to this era was for things to turn out like this
Haa
Ah
Nn!
twitch
For us to stay together forever...
twitch
THERE'S PRE-CUM...
LOOKS LIKE HE'S FEELING GOOD
Ahh!
slurp
slurp
Ah...
Nn!

slurp stroke
Even so, it's okay...
I'm fine with that as long as he tells me that he loves me.
clench
twitch
No...
Aah!
shudder
shudder
shiver
Nn...
If he releases my origin, will I disappear?
stroke
stroke
stroke
I WONDER IF THERE MIGHT BE ME INSIDE THIS CUM...
rub
rub
haa
AH... WAIT... ENOUGH... LET GO!

creak
GEEZ!
YANK
lick
NN
IT'S BITTER AND SALTY
GRAB
PULL
tug
HMM HE'S REALLY WEIRD
BUT CUTE
THERE!
rustle rustle
YOU TAKING OFF MY CLOTHES MAKES ME FEEL SHY FOR SOME REASON
YOU'RE SO NOISY!

ba-dump
ba-dump
NN...
tremble
HE'S PUSHING HIMSELF...
KISS
lick
slurp
squelch
squelch
KONOMI...
CAN YOU... LIE DOWN?
NN...
MM NN?!

PULL
drip
NO... AH...
AH... THAT'S DIRTY...
squelch
squelch
THANK GOODNESS HE'S STILL HARD
twitch
twitch
jerk
shudder
AH!!!
IT'S IM-POSSI-BLE!
IT WON'T FIT...
squelch
squelch
squelch
ARE- ARE YOU GOING TO PUT IT IN...?!

PU
SH
Mn
Ugh~
Mn!
HNGH
IF IT'S TOO MUCH, I'LL TAKE IT OUT RIGHT AWAY...
squelch
Sliiiick
shudder
shudder
tremble
tremble
OH... IS IT THAT PAINFUL?
UGH... IT HURTS!
THE TIP OF MY DICK FEELS REALLY GOOD THOUGH... IT'S SLIPPERY AND YOU'RE SQUEEZING ME SO MUCH...
THEN CHANGE POSITIONS WITH ME!!!

haa
haa
DON'T-
DON'T TAKE IT OUT!
slide
I'M SORRY! I'LL TAKE IT OUT RIGHT NOW!
UGH
UGHH
squeeze
shudder
shudder
twitch
twitch
SORRY...
I CAME A BIT INSIDE YOU...
squelch
squelch
AH...!
I'M CUM-MING
Nn
Splurt
Splurt
Splurt

I'M SORRY
haa
haa
GEEZ
HE'S SO CUTE
WAY TOO CUTE
HE REALLY LOVES ME A LOT...
YOU IDIOT!

I SAID
DON'T LICK MY EAR ANY-MORE!
HUH?
AH SE-RIOUSLY, CUT IT OUT!
SEEZ HAHA!
IT TICKLES!
BUT YOUR EARS ARE SO CUTE!
MY FACE?
I LIKE YOUR FACE
Hmmm
THAT REMINDS ME, PEOPLE OFTEN USED TO SAY THAT I LOOK A LOT LIKE MY MOM.
ANY-THING ELSE?
I...
I ALSO LOVE EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU...
KISS
GLOMP
NN!

It pisses me off that you're used to this...
I'll kill you if you dare to cheat on me_
U-UMM..
HM?
GASP
SO CUTE
AH..
WHAT? THERE'S NO WAY I'M GOING TO GET MARRIED
I- I should be the one saying that! Cause you'll have a kid and get married soon!
MAYBE I'LL KEEP LOVING YOU FOREVER...

I'd do anything for that
I don't have a family registry and I might not have a proper job either,
but I definitely won't let him sleep with my mom. I'll never give him to anyone
I want us to stay together forever
We'll get old together at this place, in this era...

Because he finally looked at me ..

I NEED TO CHECK IF THERE ARE ANY DAILY PAYING PART-TIME JOBS...
THE ONE I HAD BEFORE WAS QUITE FAR...
IF YOU GO OUT IN THIS HOT WEATHER, YOU'LL COLLAPSE AGAIN.
ARE YOU GOING OUT?
I ONLY ALMOST COLLAPSED, DIDN'T I?
flap flap
pour
I HAVE TO DO MY BEST SO THAT I CAN KEEP LIVING WITH YOU
AREN'T YOU HOT?
stick
How strange...
I was very anxious until last night, but now I feel like I can do my best.
clunck

I LOVE YOU...
Even if, someday,
I might disappear all of sudden...
DING DONG
flinch

thud
MAYBE IT'S MY MOM. YOU SHOULD GO HIDE FOR NOW!
WHY DO I HAVE TO?
thud
HURRY UP!
MASA-KUN...
rattle
rattle
rattle
YES?
creak
creak
HUH? IT'S NOT MOM?
His mother?
Did she come to pick him up?
kachick
kachick
kachick

WHO IS HE?
slide
AH UMM, I'M YAMANO I CALLED THE OTHER DAY
ARE YOU A MEMBER OF SUETSUGU-SAN'S FAMILY?
YAMANO?!
"I'M MASAYUKI OF THE YAMANO FAMILY".
HE'S THE REAL ONE!!!
I HEARD SHE PASSED AWAY, SO I CAME TO PAY A VISIT.
AH! YOU MEAN MY GRANDMA?
HIS SURNAME IS YAMANO. SO, MAYBE HE'S MASA-KUN'S RELATIVE?
SHIT..!
WHAT SHOULD I DO?! TAKE KONOMI WITH ME?

creak
creak
HE'S HER GRANDCHILD, THAT MEANS HE'S HER SON'S SON
BUT THE ONE WHO ANSWERED THE PHONE WASN'T HIM. THEN WHO ON EARTH WAS THAT?
creak
WHAT SHOULD I DO?!
creak
creak
I GUESS HE'S MASA-KUN'S FAMILY. DON'T TELL ME HE CAME TO FIND HIM.

AH, YEAH.
SHE TOOK GOOD CARE OF ME IN THE PAST, SO
UMM. YOU CAME ALL THE WAY HERE TO PRAY FOR HER?

NOW, THEN WHAT SHOULD I DO?
HE'S HERE, SO I CAN'T GO TO THE BACK YARD
DID-
DID YOU MEAN MASAYUKI-SAN?
HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT?!
slide
MY GRANDMA TOLD ME BEFORE
SHE TALKED ABOUT ME?
HUH?

WHAT...?
thunk
KONOMI!
...
SO SOMEONE DID COME AFTER ALL?!
thud thud
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?! WHY WERE YOU THAT SURPRISED WHEN YOU HEARD THAT'S MY NAME?!
HEY, WAIT!
...!
kachick
kachick
kachick

HEY!
RUN!

clench
BAM
BAM
IS THERE SOMEONE THERE? WHAT DID HE ASK YOU?!
OPEN THE DOOR!
KO-
KONOMI
NN
RUN! NOW!
creak
AH!
flinch

swoosh
dash
NN
HEY!
NN
BAM
BAM

BANG
click
MASA-KUN!
thud
NN
WHO ARE YOU... REALLY?
BANG

bump
kachick

I'M...
RYO...
U...
whoosh

RYOU...
...
AH...
NN...
THIS CAN'T BE TRUE...

squeeze
...!!!
RYOU...
thump
crunch
crunch
crunch
KONOMI...
slide
slide

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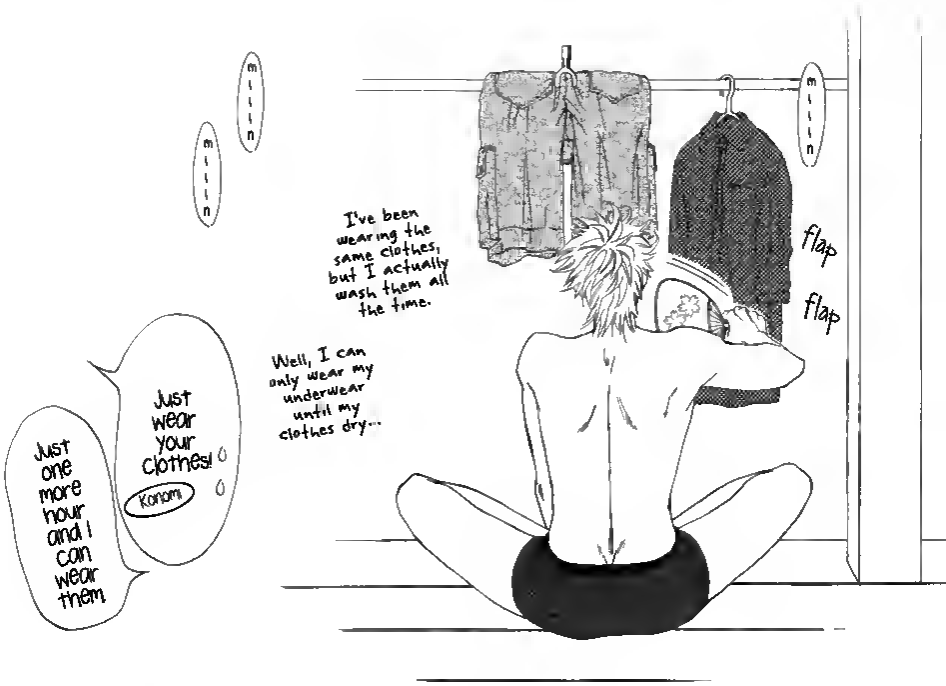
mmm
mmm
I've been wearing the same clothes, but I actually wash them all the time.
flap
flap
Well, I can only wear my underwear until my clothes dry...
Just wear your clothes!
Konomi
Just one more hour and I can wear them.

Afterword

Thank you all for buying this book! I hope you enjoyed it!

As I already mentioned in the inside cover, this is my first work that has more volumes than one and that's why I'm really nervous. Besides, the title is a symbol, the story is about a father and a son, there's also time travel, and I'm sure that not all people will welcome it...

The story takes place in 1987, around the end of the Showa period. It's the era of the bubble economy and body-consciousness, and it's full of one-length-haircut ladies. I guess there are some readers who weren't even born at the time. It's also the year that Michael Jackson came to Japan during his tour.

I regret that I couldn't express the atmosphere of that era well, even though I researched quite a bit about it. If I had another chance, I'd love to draw Ryou living in that era, when there weren't any mobile phones.

Also, I can't thank enough all the readers who kept waiting for the serialization and all the publishing staff. Especially since the work isn't popular... Even if I have no talent, there will still be something good if I keep doing it. I'm extremely thankful to all of you.

Well then, everyone, I hope I can meet you again in the next volume!
Ike Reibun

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